

FCC E-Rate Filing

I am writing this filing on behalf of CTL, a non-profit educational consulting firm that works with school districts across the commonwealth of Kentucky and regionally in states like Indiana and Tennessee. Our efforts focus on improving classroom practice, including helping teachers to integrate technology into the classroom. We have found that access to technology, online resources, and e-courses broadens and deepens student learning, while increasing their connection to the world outside the school. The e-rate makes possible this connection. In an era of budget cuts particularly in federal funding, the e-rate strengthens schools' buying power and mediates the impact of reduced funding on technology applications and uses. I urge you to increase this funding on behalf of students not only in our region but across the country.

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